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St. James's, March 17.

THis day the following Address was presented to Her Majesty by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Cromartie, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for the Kingdom of Scotland.

The most humble and dutiful Address of the Provost, Bayliffs and Council, of the City of *Aberdeen*, for themselves, and in Name of the Community thereof.

May it please Your Majesty,
WE Your Majesty's most Faithful and Loyal Subjects, as we can never forget the special and remarkable Gracious Conduct of Divine Providence, which preserved Your Majesty as the immediate surviving Branch of the Royal Family, designed of God for the Throne, and that in such a juncture, when Your Majesty's Succession to the Crown, upon undoubted Right thereto, not only effectually prevented unspeakable Confusion in Britain and Ireland, but also signally laid Foundation for the greatest of Blessings ever since enjoyed by your Subjects, having their Religion, Liberty and Laws at home secured, Intestine Enemies suppressed, and the most formidable Foreign Armies restrained and limited: So we cannot but with the greatest Grief of Heart express our Information of some wicked Plots and Practices designed and set on foot against Your Majesty, and particularly to raise Insurrections in this Kingdom, and to procure the same to be invaded (and consequently your other Dominions) by French and Popish Emissaries.

Therefore, from a Sense of our Duty to God and Your Majesty, and to this your ancient Kingdom, our Native Country, we hereby openly protest and declare, That, to the utmost of our Power, with our Lives and Fortunes, we will adhere to and maintain Your Majesty's Sacred Person and most rightful Government, against all Pretenders whatsoever, and their Influence, whether at home or abroad; and that on all Occasions we are ready to appear in the Defence of Your Majesty, as our only undoubted Sovereign, and for maintaining the true Protestant Religion and Presbyterian Government of the Church, as at present Graciously Established, and lately Ratified and Confirmed by Your Majesty, and the Peace and Safety of the Country, wishing nothing more than that God may long preserve Your Majesty's Person, and prosper your Reign, for the Preservation and Good of all Your Majesty's Dominions, and the whole Protestant Interest, and for the due Execution of the Laws against Popery, and in favour of the present Established Church-Government in this Kingdom, which we are persuaded will greatly contribute to the Security of Your Majesty's Person and Government, and to the Comfort of all your good and loyal Subjects, and particularly of (may it please Your Majesty) Your Majesty's most humble, most obedient and most faithful Subjects and Servants.

Which Address Her Majesty received very graciously.

Nismes, Febr. 24. N. S. The Marshal *de Montreuil* arrived here some days ago from *Montpellier*, where he was present in the Assembly of the States of *Languedoc*, which has been held there. They have agreed upon some new Taxes, which, together with those we are already burthened with, will make up the Sum of 10 Millions of *Livres* to be raised this Year within this Province, besides the Expence of raising our Quota of Soldiers according to the late Regulation: This Oppression from the Court on one hand, and on the other the Disorders committed as well by the *Camisars* as by the Forces employed to suppress them, have brought this Country into the greatest Misery and Contusion, and no body is safe even in the very Streets, where scarce a night passes but some Murder is committed. A Thousand *Camisars*, part Horse and the rest Foot, came lately to *Beauvais* and *Generac*, within two Leagues of this Place, where having rested, they advanced within half a League of our Walls, and killed several Persons, by way of Revenge for several of their Men who had been denied Quarter by the King's Forces. Monsieur *St. Julien* with a Body of Troops has been as far as the Borders of the *Pyrenees*, to endeavour to meet with the Body of *Camisars* under the Command of *Cavalier*, but to no purpose; and in the mean time they have made several Excursions towards *Uzes*. They have a great Advantage in the general Dissatisfaction of the People with the Government, who are ready at any time to give them Intelligence of the Motions of the

King's Troops, and to afford them all the Assistance they are able.

Nanci, March 16. Letters from *Paris* of the 11th Instant say, the Marshal *de Villeroi* would be going thence the 16th to his Command in the *Netherlands*; and that it was still talked that the Marshal *de Villars* would also serve in those Parts the next Campaign, in the room of the Marshal *de Boufflers*. They had begun to send away Recruits for their Army in *Italy*, which are to go by Sea from *Toulon* to *San Pietro d'Arena*, near *Genova*, and thence by Land to *Milan*. It was discoursed at *Paris*, that the Grand Prior was to besiege *Revere*, one of the chief Garisons of the Imperial Forces on the *Po*, for which purpose the Duke of *Pendome* his Brother had sent him a considerable Reinforcement; and that the French Forces in *Dauphine* are to besiege the Town of *Nice* early in the Spring.

Cologne, March 18. N. S. The Dutch Regiment of *Nassau*, and a Battalion of the King of *Prussia's* Forces in the Service of the States General, marched hence yesterday towards the *Maeze*. Some new Works are raising at *Bon* with all possible Diligence for the better Security of that Place, and a very great Magazine of Ammunition is erecting there. The King of *Prussia* hath given Orders for the demolishing of the Fortifications of *Rheinberg*, but it is said the Wall and the Rampart will be left standing. Letters from *Berlin* say, his Majesty has given Directions for new Levies to be made with all expedition, in order to make an Addition of 12000 Men to the Forces he has already on foot, intending to send a considerable Body of them on the *Danube* against the next Campaign.

Dublin, March 9. On the 4th Instant came into this Harbour the *Jane Ketch* of this Port, *Robert Irwin* Master, from *Lisbon*, laden with Wine and Fruit, and gave Advice, That he had been taken on the 2d off of *Wicklow* by a French Privateer of 8 Guns and 50 Men, Monsieur *Porvaine* Commander, belonging to *St. Malo's*, and had ransomed his Ship for 325 *l.* whereupon his Grace the Lord Lieutenant immediately ordered Captain *Saunders*, in Her Majesty's Ship the *Seaford*, and the *Charlott* Yacht, Captain *Breholt* Commander, (having 40 Landmen on board) to go in quest of the Privateer. The 5th, by break of day, they sailed to the Southward, and went out at *Wicklow-Swath*; about noon the Man of War spy'd a Sail, which he immediately chased; about one a Clock they saw a second Sail, and Captain *Saunders* concluding them to be the Privateer and a Prize, having seen Boats pals between them, made all the Sail he could after the Privateer, and about 4 in the afternoon came within shot of him, both rowing, there being but little Wind; The Privateer steered to the *Welsh Coast*, and a Gale arising at *W. N. W.* about 11 at night, the Privateer got into *Carnarvon Bay*, and the Man of War came so near him, as to shoot his Fore-mast by the board, and after having fired a Broadside, sent his Boat on board and took him; and the 7th at night brought him into this Bay; the Man of War has lost his Maintop-mast. On board the Privateer were three Hostages, for the Ransom of as many Merchant Ships which he had taken some time before.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant intends to be going for *England* on the 17th or 18th Instant.

Yarmouth, March 17. About 15 Sail of light Colliers sailed hence the 15th Instant for *Newcastle*. Her Majesty's Ships the *Weymouth* and *Rouney* sailed from our Road yesterday with the outward bound *Hamburgh Fleet*.

Cowes, March 15. Two or 3 days ago arrived at *Spithead* 3 or 4 small Vessels from *Lisbon*. This day a Danish Ship of 200 Tons, laden with Salt, Brandy and other Goods, from *St. Martins*, was seized in our Road as Prize by Captain *Turner*, Commander of the *Diligence* Privateer of *London*. The *Catherine* of *London*, Philip *Harris* Master, is just now come into our Road, being homeward bound from *Mountserrat*.

Portsmouth, March 15. Yesterday came into *Stokes-Bay* the *Bachia*, William *Smy* Master, and the *Aaron* Frigate, Thomas *Smith* Master, both from *Barbadoes*, and the *Dolphin*, ... *Poleman* Master, from *Navis*.

The Dutch Mails of Tuesday and Friday last are not yet come in.

Whereas